



FRIENDS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH-BELTSVILLE, Inc.

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The FAR-B Board of Directors met on January 14, 1992 in Room 402 NAL Building. Those in attendance were: Bill Bailey, John Moseman, Russell Steere, Frank Longen, Gus Hanson, Essex E. Finney, Jr, and Ginger Hupfer. Guests at the meeting included Timothy Gish, and Julius Menn.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Vice President William Bailey.

On page three the minutes for December meeting should have read Jane Wall will still be "helping to" edit the Newsletter. On page two "An April Program" should read "April 24". Poster Day will be held on March 10, 1992. Minutes were approved as amended.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Bill Bailey

- Three suggestions were made for the vacancy left when Jane Wall "retires". They were Iris Ballew, Patricia Jackson, and Alice Kunishi.

SYMPOSIUM XVII REPORT - Tim Gish

Dr. Gish reported that the blue announcements (copies distributed to everyone present) have been sent to oral and poster presenters, various organizations, National Program Staff, Information Staff, and Visitors Center. Announcements lists oral and poster presenters, Agenda, Housing Information, Brief Transportation Information and Registration Form. There are 80-90 (possibly more) very well know scientists presenting posters. Six hundred rooms have been blocked at three of our closest Motels. Dr. Finney mentioned he will write a note to Dr. Plowman and/or the Assistant Secretary to request their participation in the Symposium. A letter soliciting company financial support of the Symposium will soon be going out containing the blue announcement and FAR-B brochure. Tim Gish is gathering more information on the six proposed candidates for FAR-B Outstanding Scientist Award. Frank Longen said that certain things need to be accomplished in regards to the award: whether or not they are residing in or out of the area; determining availability; whether or not they need funds; whether there will be one or two recipients. Selections should be made by the end of February. Frank said a Supplement to the Memo of Understanding has to be worked up before the Symposium. It will be generated in the Director's Office.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - JULIUS J.MENN

Dr. Menn said Symposium XVIII, "Biological Based Pest Management", will be held the week of May 1-7, 1993,

in Building 003. The organizational committee has a different approach this year. Instead of the usual Banquet, the participants will tour the National Aquarium in Baltimore, Wednesday night from 7:00 -11:00 p.m. The group will be entertained by a catered dinner and a special shark feeding by the diver. This raised the question by Dr. Finney how the plaque would be given. Dr. Menn suggested the opening session on Monday as a possibility. A \$2,000 deposit is needed in advance to reserve the aquarium, and returned when the 1993 ARMPS package is in place. John Moseman made the motion that FAR-B advance Symposium XVIII, \$2,000. Gus Hanson seconded the motion. There will be an organizational meeting Friday, 8:30 a.m. in Building 011A, in the Conference Room. George Irving will be the liaison and attend meetings. The charge for the Symposium is tentatively set at \$200 to \$250. One hundred fifty rooms are blocked at the Holiday Inn.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - ESSEX E. FINNEY, Jr.

- Dr. George Papavizas retired January 3, after 35 years of service. He was the Research Leader of the Biocontrol of Plant Diseases Laboratory.
- Twenty five candidates applied for the position of Director of the Arboretum. The names were screened to seven and eliminated to three. The selection will soon be made.
- Dr. Walter Mertz, Director of the Human Nutrition Research Center will retire early 1993.
- The Atwater Symposium, a Centennial celebration, will take place in 1993. Dr. Mertz is working with Jackie Dupont on this Symposium. FAR-B will serve as co-sponsor; will help with managing.
- The 1991 Scientist of the Year Awards, will be held Wednesday, January 29, 1992, in the USDA patio, Washington, D.C. Orville A. Levander will be honored as the Beltsville Area Scientist of the Year and Dante S. Zarlenga will receive honor as the Beltsville Area Early Career Research Scientist for 1991.
- Buildings 003 and 007 are scheduled to be re-occupied sometime in February.
- The Plant Science Building ^{design} is 35% complete.
- The buildings in the dairy area are scheduled to be modernized, at a cost of approximately two million dollars. The old buildings must first be taken down, one or more perhaps kept as historic buildings.
- The President's budget is due to come out 1/29 -2/3.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Frank Longen

General Account:

Balance as of Treasurer's Report of 12/10/91 \$13,553.72

Income: (Since 12/10/91

Interest	\$52.28	
Total Income	\$52.28	\$52.28
Total Available:		\$13,606.00

Expenses: (Since 12/10/91)

#129 Daniels Printing	\$173.00	
Total Expenses		173.00
Balance as of January 14, 1992:		\$13,433.00

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

	#16-2034939	#16-7800701	
	Non-int.Bear	Int.Bearing	Totals:
Balances as of 12/10/91:	\$2,997.86	\$17,809.63	\$20,807.49

Income: (Since 12/10/91)

Reimb. for Travel Adv.	-	900.00	
Interest	-	64.64	
Total Income:	-	964.64	964.64
Total Available:	\$2,997.86	\$18,774.27	\$21,772.13
Expenses: (Since 12/10/91)	-	-	-
Balances as of Jan. 14, 1992:	\$2,997.86	\$18,774.27	\$21,772.13

Gus Hanson made a motion, and Jane Wall seconded it that the report be approved as read.

NEW BUSINESS

Gus Hanson questioned whether FAR-B should lend financial support to the Atwater Symposium since it will possibly be held at Yale University. Dr. Finney said we could accommodate 500 people here at Beltsville. He will give a follow-up report at the next meeting.

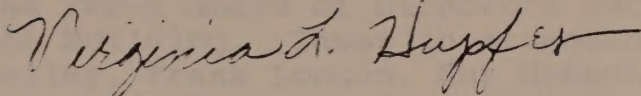
Jane Wall said she would curtail her activities on the BOD in March. She gave a thumb-nail sketch of her work here on the Board. Al Piringer was membership contact person. He had a list of retirees. Dr. Finney said he would give a copy of Beltsville letters of retirement to Frank Longen as possible replacements for vacancies on the Board.

Bill Bailey announced the USDA retirees meeting, January 3rd; they meet the third Thursday every three months, at the American Legion in Greenbelt at 11:30.

There were three deaths announced: Eunice Hoover, Mary Shaw Shorb and All Riggs.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

**NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, February 11, 1992,
1:00 p.m., Room 402 NAL Building.**



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The meeting was called to order at 1:05 by President Al Piringer.

On page one of the January 14 minutes, Jane Wall should have been added to "those in attendance". On page three two deaths should have been announced instead of three. Minutes were approved as corrected.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - AL PIRINGER

- The "Seeds of Change" exhibit received a good report. The reception in honor of the exhibit and workshop was sponsored by FAR-B.

SYMPOSIUM XVII REPORT - DR. TIM GISH

Dr. Gish distributed his committee's list of Candidates For The FAR-B Water Quality Award. They were listed in order of the Committee's recommendations. Dr. Gish reported that Symposium XVII co-chairman, Ali Sadeghi would probably be undergoing surgery for a back problem. He may be out for the duration of the symposium. Two hundred fifty two symposium support solicitation letters will be going out today. We are starting to receive abstracts, registrations and checks. Tim announced that Beltsville scientists, students, and FAR-B members will pay reduced rates. Dr. Gish was concerned about eligibility and mechanics to pay honoraria. Dr. Finney recommended working with Jack Boyett (Area Administrative Officer) about the matter. The 1990 Symposium paid \$250.00 honoraria. Frank Longen brought up a concern he had over helping deserving students mentioned in the solicitation letter. Suggestions were proposed on how to select deserving students. Dr. Piringer told Dr. Gish to take the initiative and report back. Ginger will send Dr. Irving a copy of the candidates for the Outstanding Scientist award and his committee will select one.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT

Al Piringer representing Julius Menn said there was nothing new to report. The \$2,000 deposit to reserve the Aquarium couldn't be accepted by the Aquarium until May, 1992.

EARTH DAY- The Conference room in Bldg. 011A is reserved for a catered luncheon to which Dr. Finney extended an invitation to about 50 people. Dr. Philip Kearney is organizing this event.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - ESSEX E. FINNEY, JR.

- Concerning the Atwater Symposium: Dr. Finney talked to Dr. Walter Mertz about the series of activities leading up to the celebration of the Symposium; he will give Dr. Finney an outline.
- The theme of Earth Day, Friday, April 24, is "Agriculture and the Environment". There will be a rededication of building 003 and 007. The morning will be divided into three sections: 1) Regional, 2) National and 3) International. After the ceremony, there will be a catered luncheon. Saturday 25th will be "Open House" for ARS employees and their families and local members of the community. Al Piringer said there will be a Post Office booth offering special stamp cancellations. There is a committee who is organizing additional events on Saturday, April 25th.
- Offices will re-occupy building 003 starting 2/15/92.
- March 10 is Poster Day. Post Docs and Scientists with less than 2 years experience will participate. The morning will include Open House and orientation for Post Docs. The Poster Session will be in the afternoon.
- Russell Steere is in the Washington Hospital Center. (telephone (202) 877-4226.
- ARS received 660 million dollars from the Appropriation Act, 1992 and 686 million proposed for 1993; seven million will cover the pay cost in FY 93; eighteen million is for special programs.
- Dr. Finney received a letter from local delegates requesting that the small plaque in front of the U.S. Post Office in Beltsville honoring veterans be located somewhere on route 1 on BARC land. Discussion followed.

ANNUAL MEETING - The Annual Meeting will be March 10 at the theater room at the Log Lodge at 1:00. The general meeting will be at 2:00. Ginger Hupfer will prepare refreshments.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Frank Longen

General Account:

Balance as of Treasurer's Report of 1/14/92 \$13,433.00

Income: (Since 1/14/92)

From Membership Renewals	\$100.00	
From Interest	<u>53.57</u>	
Total Income:		<u>153.57</u>
Total Available:		\$13,586.57

Expenses: (Since 1/14/92)

None		<u>-</u>
Balance as of February 11, 1992:		\$13,586.57

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

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	<u>Non-int.Bear</u>	<u>Int.Bearing</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
Balances as of 1/14/92:	\$2,997.86	\$18,774.27	\$21,772.13
<u>Income:</u> (Since 1/14/92)			
Registration pmnt. Sym.	-	75.00	
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Registration Symp. XVII	-	150.00	
Interest		73.91	
Total Income:	-	298.91	298.91
Total Available	\$2997.86	\$19,073.18	\$22,071.04
<u>Expenses:</u> (Since 1/14/91)			
None	-	-	-
Balances as of 2/11/92	\$2,997.86	\$19,073.18	\$22,071.04

The report was approved as read.

Dr. Finney passed out the current Memorandum of Understanding, supplement to the "Master", updating FAR-B's role with regards to Symposium XVII.

Due to the absence of Bill Hollis and Steve Berberich, there was no update on the FAR-B brochure.

Selection of the Scientist for FAR-B's Outstanding Award will be made at the March meeting.

The nomination committee recommended to succeed Jane Wall, whose term on the Board was expired, recommended Patricia Jackson.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Finney gave Frank Longen copies of letters sent to people who recently retired.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board Meeting will be held March 10, 1992 at 1:00 at the Visitor Center Theatre Room. The Annual meeting will be held in the same place at 2:00 p.m. There will be election of officers. Dr. Finney was the undisputed choice to speak at the meeting. Al will discuss this with Dr. Finney.

The next Newsletter should be mailed by March 3rd.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia L. Hupfer

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Executive Secretary

***** Next Meeting *****

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, March 10, 1992,
1:00 p.m., at the Visitor's Center.



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The FAR-B Board of Directors met on March 10, 1992 in the Lincoln Room at the National Visitors Center. Those in attendance were: Al Piringer, William Bailey, Frank Longen, Jane Wall, George Irving, Angus Hanson, William Hollis, Essex E. Finney, Jr., and Ginger Hupfer. Guests at the meeting included Timothy Gish, Pat Jackson, and John Fleming.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Al Piringer.

Minutes for the February meeting were approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - AL PIRINGER

Al Piringer gave a tentative agenda of the Annual Meeting:

- 1) Short moment of silence for remembering those members who have passed away.
- 2) Reading of the minutes
- 3) Treasurer's report
- 4) Dr. Finney's talk
- 5) Dr. Irving's report on the Outstanding Scientist Award
- 6) Election of a Board Member

Pat Jackson was introduced as a nominee to the board of Directors.

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of 2/11/92: \$13,586.57

Income:

From Interest	\$50.00	
Total Income		\$50.00
Total Available:		\$13,636.67

Expenses:

#130 Postmaster-Beltsville/Stamps	145.00	
#131 Sara Kuhne/Reception Exp.	75.00	
Total Expenses:		220.00
Balance as of 3/10/92:		\$13,416.67

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

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<u>Non-int.Bear</u>	<u>Int.Bearing</u>	<u>Totals:</u>

Balances as of 2/11/92: \$2,997.86 \$19,073.18 \$22,071.04

Income:

From Registration Fees	-	650.00	
From Interest	-	<u>70.15</u>	
Total Income:	-	<u>720.15</u>	<u>720.15</u>
Total Available:	\$2,997.86	\$19,793.33	\$22,791.19

Expenses:

#107 Cting by Ts & Chs	-	<u>350.00</u>	
(Deposit)			
Total Expenses	-	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>
Balances as of 3/10/92:	\$2,997.86	\$9,443.33	\$22,441.19

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - ESSEX E. FINNEY, JR.

- Offices have re-occupied building 003. Today, posters were on display in Building 003. Post Docs and Scientists with less than 2 years experience are participating. Jane Giles made a presentation of employment opportunities nationwide in ARS.
- Friday, April 24, there will be a rededication of buildings 003 and 007.
- The Secretary of Agriculture is considering a re-organization of the Department, as a result of a Blue Ribbon report in 1985.

SYMPOSIUM XVII REPORT - DR. TIM GISH

Dr. Gish said things are going well with the planning and preparation for the symposium. Dr. Finney mentioned maybe we could get the Assistant Secretary to made some remarks at the symposium. Dr. Gish reported that we have been getting abstracts, registrations and checks from participants. Frank Longen noted that he had received five responses to the solicitation letter and all of them were negative. Dr. Irving said that maybe we should come up with a new approach for soliciting funds. Dr. Finney suggested that perhaps they should be sent earlier.

OUTSTANDING SCIENTIST

Dr. George Irving reporting, said that upon the recommendation of Dr. Gish, the committee composed of Gus Hanson, Frank Longen and Timothy Gish, have picked the first candidate on the list, Dr. Jesse Lunin. Dr. Lunin resides in Maryland. Dr. Piringner wanted to know who should take the responsibility of advising him? Ginger will type up a standardized letter, and George Irving will sign it. Gus Hanson has his Florida and local address.

OLD BUSINESS

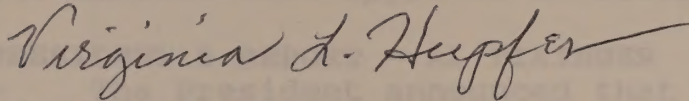
George Irving reported on the Hall of Fame nominees - The committee met to consider a number of nominees and sent a list of committee choices to Dr. Plowman for his consideration. The committee was chaired by Dr. Harry Mussman.

Round Robin:

In regards to coming up with a new approach to soliciting funds for the symposium, Gus Hanson suggested that perhaps we could offer industry a co-sponsorship of the symposium, except that may limit our input on the choice of topics.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

**NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, April 14, 1992,
1:00 p.m., in Room 238, Building 003.**



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The meeting was called to order at 1:05 by President Al Piringer.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - AL PIRINGER

- The President announced that he will be out of town until June 1. Bill Bailey will act in his absence.
- Pat Jackson's phone number is (410) 531-6429
- Dr. Howard Heggstad was introduced as FAR-B's newest member.
- In connection with the rededication of buildings 003 and 007, Dr. Bill Wergin is arranging for the Beltsville Post Office to set up an annex selling and canceling stamps with a special cancellation; and also selling envelopes with old issues of stamps that pertain to agriculture; the profits going to FAR-B. Frank Longen and John Moseman volunteered to help man the booth.
- Dr. Finney gave a brief agenda of 4/24 and 4/25: Friday, 8:30 a.m. will be a free Symposium; there will be a break at 10:30 for punch and coffee; and the formal dedication of 003 and 007 at 11:00. Saturday, April 25 will be an Open House for employees, families and friends from 10:00 to 3:30.

SYMPOSIUM XVII REPORT - DR. TIM GISH

Dr. Gish passed out two facsimiles of the program for Symposium XVII. He said they weren't complete, but they represented an idea of the finished program. Poster easels and boards will be rented at the cost of approximately 3 1/2 thousand dollars. Tim said he expected from 175 to 200 participants. Dr. Gish noted there would be an added Session. Jim Kinsella, Manager of the Agronomic Development Center in Lexington, IL, will give a talk on "Research and Optimization of No-Till Production Systems."

OUTSTANDING SCIENTIST

Dr. Irving said he has received no communication from Dr. Jesse Lunin.

Bill Hollis commented that there seemed to be an absence of participation from the private sector.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - BARBARA LEONHARDT

The proposed title for the 1993 symposium is "Pest Management: Biologically Based Technologies." The symposium will be held May 3, 1993.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - ESSEX E. FINNEY, JR.

- One of the greatest interest in the Poster Day sessions were the current up to date structures.
- Assistant Secretary for Administration, The Honorable Charles R. Hilty visited Beltsville April 1, 1992. Mr. Hilty was especially interested in the BARC Modernization Program, the Sunnyside Green Line Metro site and among other things, research on ground water quality.
- On April 24, 1992, there will be a special ceremony to dedicate Buildings 003 and 007. There will be a symposium in the morning from 8:30 - 11:00. Three speakers will give their prospective on "Agriculture and the Environment"; one global, one national and finally, local. At 11:00 a.m. there will be a special presentation of awards. Jerry Ritchie of the Hydrology Lab will be recognized with a plaque and winners of essays written by local high schools will be acknowledged. Following this, there will be a small luncheon, sponsored by FAR-B, for specially invited guests. On Saturday, April 25, an open house will be held to give employees, their families and the local community an opportunity to learn more about BARC's research programs. There will be exhibits, tents and other special events.
- Dr. David Chitwood replaced Dr. Robin Huettel as Research Leader of the Nematology Lab.
- Dr. Allan Stoner is on a 120 day detail as acting Director of the National Arboretum.
- The Friends of the National Arboretum Board will meet April 27-28, 1992.
- Duane Acker has been nominated for the position of Assistant Secretary for Science & Education.
- Retirees: Tony Kotula and Margaret Johnson Green retired April 3, 1992.
- There will be a reception and program for the ARS Hall of Fame Honorees, June 9, 1992 at the National Arboretum. The employee awards and luncheon will be held June 10, 1992.

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of 3/10/92:

\$13,416.67

Income:

New Members	40.00	
Membership Renewals	1,300.00	
Contributions*	185.00	
Refund from Poster Day Refresh.	10.57	
Interest	<u>38.35</u>	
Total Income:		<u>1,573.92</u>
Total Available:		\$14,990.59

Expenses:

#132 V. Hupfer/Ann. Meet. Refresh.	29.34	
#133 Staples/Office Supplies	8.78	
#134 Postmaster/Post Cards	<u>19.00</u>	
Total Expenses:		<u>57.12</u>
Balance as of 4/14/92:		\$14,933.47

* Contributions: \$150. from Behnke's Nursery representing honorarium for Dr. Marc Cathey
\$35. from James Hartsock who was enrolled in FAR-B by Lowell Campbell.

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Income:

From Registr. Fees	-	3,650.00	
Outside Contributions	-	1,750.00	
Interest	=	<u>54.43</u>	
Total Income	=	<u>5,454.43</u>	<u>5,454.43</u>
Total Available:	\$2,997.86	\$24,897.76	\$27,895.62

Expenses:

#108 M. McGiffen/			
Refund of Reg.	=	<u>125.00</u>	
Total Expenses:	=	<u>125.00</u>	<u>125.00</u>
Balances as of 4/14/92:	\$2,997.86	\$24,772.76	\$27,770.62

The report was approved as read.

NEW BUSINESS

Al Piringer introduced Howard Heggstad. Dr. Heggstad discussed pollution and the studies he has done on the subject. He was concerned about ozone stress damage to plants.

VISITORS CENTER - STEVE BERBERICH

The Baltimore Washington Corridor Chamber will sponsor a business

trade show, April 22, 1991, from 1:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at the Laurel Race Track concourse. Steve had no progress to report on the updating of the pictures for the FAR-B brochure.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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A discussion followed pertaining to what should be charged to government funds and what not. Frank Longan stated that anything that was included in a brochure was charged to FAR-B funds, i.e. banquet, reception, breaks and the like. Other expenses such as travel, honoraria, or publishing of proceedings would be charged to pay from Federal funds. Dr. Finney advised Dr. Dick and Mrs. Hupfer to notify Jack Bryant of the airfare obligation of Government funds for the Symposium. Tim and all Federal write thank you letters to Roger Lawson for the flowers and plants he provided, the projection screen, and his forthcoming letters to the Symposium oral presenters. The is also preparing a document to hand down to future Symposium Chairmen listing suggestions to help the Symposium run smoothly. Dr. Finney noted that Bill Wallace's suggestion to include more industry participation might be included in the document. Frank mentioned 4 for future Symposium the industry we solicited for funds, who did not contribute, but would have published our Symposium to some 27,000 recipients of it's newsletter. The question was whether there was a National list of people with specific interests.

LEAD OFFICE REPORT - DR. PHILIP S. KENNEDY

- Dr. Mary Carter has been appointed to serve as Special



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The meeting was called to order at 1:05 by Vice President Bill Bailey. The minutes were approved as distributed

SYMPOSIUM XVII REPORT - DR. TIM GISH

Dr. Gish reported that one hundred sixty people attended the Symposium banquet. He noted, according to all reports and comments of those in attendance, that the Symposium was very successful. There was good interaction at the poster sessions. He felt the poster interaction was due, in part, to having the poster session in the a.m. rather than in the late evening. To date, the Symposium XVII has expended \$10,000 and taken in \$13,500 in registration fees and approximately \$2,000 in donations. Dr. Gish is meeting with Dr. Gordon Marten to discuss the symposium funds in the government account. Dr. Gish said there will be several other expenses, i.e. travel for several oral presenters. Approximately one half of the manuscripts are in for review and eventual publication of the proceeding (Journal of Environmental Quality). The proceedings are expected to cost approximately \$15,000.

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AREA OFFICE REPORT - DR. PHILIP C. KEARNEY

- Dr. Mary Carter has been appointed to serve as Special

Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Science and Education. Dr. Carter has been the Associate Administrator of ARS since 1980.

- Dr. Kearney announced that Dr. Essex E. Finney, Jr. has accepted the position of Associate Administrator of ARS. His reassignment will begin on May 14, 1992. Dr. Gordon Marten will be acting Director, BA.
- There may be a possibility of obtaining some funds for FAR-B.
- Jamie L. Whitten, (D-Miss.) is quite ill. ARS has fared well under Whitten's patronage. There is a great possibility Whitten will retire.
- Dr. Harold Hawk will receive the Distinguished Service Award at the USDA Honor Awards ceremony in Washington. Chester W. McWhorter of Mississippi will also receive that Award. Dr. Philip Miller of Beltsville will receive the Superior Service Award.
- Dr. Kearney noted that an article in the March issue of "Agricultural Research" pointed out the emphasis being put on biological control of pests. Bio Control of insect pests as opposed to chemical control is the theme of next year's BARC Symposium. Dr. Kearney noted that large chemical companies are beginning to get into the biological control program.
- Beltsville is in a period of transition. There have been five Directors in the past 25 years, but the Institutes as set up now are relatively self reliant.

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of April 14, 1992: \$14,933.47

Income:

Membership Renewals	\$1,185.00	
Interest	54.16	
Contributions*	462.00	
Total Income	\$1,701.16	<u>1,701.16</u>
Total Available:		\$16,634.63

Expenses:

#136 Too Far Gone (Bl.-Gras Band)	200.00	
#137 Ma's Kettle (Luncheon)	1,059.45	
#138 Dottie's Trophies	97.80	
Total Expenses:	\$1,357.25	<u>\$1,357.25</u>
Balance as of May 12, 1992:		\$15,277.38

* Proceeds of sale of commemorative envelopes and stamps contributed by Dr. Wm. Wergin (Dedication Day for Bldg. 003 & 007 on April 24 & 25, 1992)

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

#16-2034939 #16-7800701
Non-int.Bear Int.Bearing Totals:

Balances as of 4/14/92: \$2,997.86 \$24,772.76 \$27,770.62

Income:

From Reg. Fees	-	4,725.00	
From Interest	-	89.24	
Total Income:	-	4,814.24	4,814.24
Total Available:	\$2,997.86	\$29,587.00	\$32,584.86

Expenses:

#109 Hol. Inn-Coll. Prk.	-	3,000.00	3,000.00
(Deposit on Banquet)			
Balances as of May 12, 1992:	\$2,997.86	\$26,587.00	\$29,584.86

Frank announced that we renewed 80 out of 123 members; also informed us that he worked at the stamp booth set up by Bill Wergin during the dedication of buildings 003 and 007 and netted \$462.00.

The report was approved as read.

ROUND ROBIN

Frank Longen - the award to Jesse Lunin went off well and Dr. Irving gave a very nice presentation. Dr. Lunin was pleased to be recognized.

Ginger Hupfer - will ask Jane Wall to write story on FAR-B members feedback. Will also see about updating FAR-B Newsletter Masthead.

Bill Bailey - No meetings July and August.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia L. Hupfer
Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, June 9, 1992, 1:00 p.m., Room 238, Building 003.



FRIENDS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH-BELTSVILLE, Inc.

P.O. Box 1061

Beltsville, Maryland 20704-1061

The FAR-B Board of Directors met on June 9, 1992 in Room 238, Bldg. 003. Those in attendance were: George Irving, Al Piring, Pat Jackson, John Moseman, Gus Hanson, Bill Bailey, Tom Sexton, and Ginger Hupfer. Guests at the meeting included Barbara Leonhardt.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Al Piring. The minutes were approved as amended. Minutes should have read, "There have been five Directors in the past 5 years".

Dr. Piring mentioned that he had received letters of appreciation for FAR-B's role in the April dedication and the Symposium. He especially noted Dr. Irving's role in representing FAR-B at these affairs.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - DR. BARBARA LEONHARDT

Dr. Leonhardt distributed a program to the group. She reported that the Sunday registration and reception would be held at the Holiday Inn in Beltsville; the poster session Monday night also will be held there. The rest of the Symposium will be held in the auditorium of building 003. Dr. Leonhardt said they would start of Monday morning with 4 plenary talks; speakers have already accepted and are listed in program. Monday afternoon through Thursday morning there are 6 total sessions; all topics are listed and speakers identified for each talk. The committee is in the process of contacting their first choice. The banquet will be held at the National Aquarium in Baltimore. The banquet will be catered and promises to be quite nice. There will be special rates for Beltsville employees for the Symposium, but the banquet will not be included in that price. Extra banquet tickets may be purchased. Dr. Leonhardt said they expected approximately 400 participants. She said they have drafted a solicitation letter for Dr. Piring's signature. That would be available soon. They also have compiled a list of companies to which the letters will be sent. Ginger will be located in building 001, until the lab returns to 007. A desk has been moved in and Ginger is taking care of telephones. The first draft of the first announcement is laid out. Holly Hayes is in charge of editing the draft of the first announcement. The logo, which was suggested by Bob Norton, will be a likeness of the clocktower. Reservations for 150 rooms are made at the Holiday Inn; the Ballroom is reserved for the reception and the poster session. Acceptance for speakers is conditional that they provide a manuscript upon arrival. Proceedings will most likely be published in The American Chemical Society as a special issue of the proceedings volumes; will also publish abstracts for all attendees. The registration fee has not been set yet, but the banquet is tentatively set for \$50.00

Since there will be no formal banquet, there is a question as to when to present the FAR-B Outstanding Scientist Award. Dr. Hanson recommended Monday morning at the opening session. It was tentatively agreed upon. The awardee and spouse will receive tickets for the banquet. There was a brief discussion on how the scientist is chosen. The scientist is normally a retired ARS employee. Some discussion followed on the solicitation letter. Dr. Leonhardt said they will send out a four-part preliminary announcement with no fee listed. There will be a tear off section which will be filled out and returned for more information.

Dr. Piringer announced there would be no July or August BOD meetings. The next meeting will be September 8, 1992.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - DR. TOM SEXTON

- Dr. Gordon Marten is the Acting Director
- The Departmental Honor Awards program will be held in Washington D.C. at the Departmental Auditorium, June 10. Dr. Harold Hawk will receive the Distinguished Service Award. Dr. John Meisinger is being honored with the Distinguished Service Group Award, and Delores Chambers will also be given a Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Philip Miller will receive the Superior Service Award. Dr. Hachiro Shimanuki and Dr. Walter Sheppard also will receive the Superior Service Award.
- The Beltsville Area Awards program is being held in Building 003, June 17. Dr. Vernon Pursel is being honored with the Area Scientist of the Year. The Area Early Career Scientist of the Year is Dr. Mark Jenkins. The Area Support Scientist of the Year is Mr. Larry Wood and the Area Technician of the Year is Mr. Willard Douglas.
- On June 23, there will be a recognition ceremony for Dr. Finney in the auditorium of Bldg. 003, from 1:00-3:00. Dr. Al Stoner is chairman of the committee who is setting up the program for all employees.
- Dr. Walter Mertz, Director of the Human Nutrition Research Center has announced his impending retirement. Applicants for the position have been narrowed down to seven, and hopefully the interview process will be concluded by the end of July.
- When confirmation is received from Dr. Plowman, the position of Director of the Arboretum will be reannounced as an SCS position. Dr. Stoner is now Acting Director.
- Dr. Marten is optimistic that a decision on the Director of the Beltsville Area will be forthcoming within a few weeks. Dr. Bills will replace Dr. Sexton who will be Acting until June 19.
- Beltsville is in the middle of the ARMPS process and Dr. Marten's experience will provide stability.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of Frank Longen, Treasurer, Al Piringer reported that per telephone conversation with Frank, there was no significant change.

OLD BUSINESS

Ginger Hupfer reported that the Newsletter was written and ready for Jane Wall to edit.

NEW BUSINESS

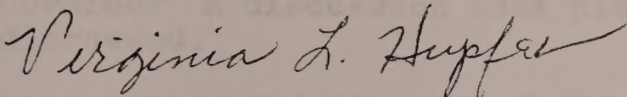
The Newsletter article written by Jane Wall asking for input from FAR-B members was passed around. It was decided to list FAR-B's PO. Box Number, and Virginia Hupfer's phone number for comments by members.

ROUND ROBIN

- Dr. Irving mentioned that he had been invited to sit on the committee to name the Agricultural Hall of Fame Awardees for this year. He was also invited to attend the reception and dinner at the National Arboretum, this evening, June 9. The Awardees are Dr. Bushland, Dr. Hallauer, and Dr. Crittenden.
- Dr. Irving told us that Reid Milner and Foster Mohrhardt passed away.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, September 8, 1992, 1:00 p.m., Room 238, Building 003.



FRIENDS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH-BELTSVILLE, Inc.

P.O. Box 1061

Beltsville, Maryland 20704-1061

The FAR-B Board of Directors met on September 8, 1992. Those in attendance were: William Bailey, John Moseman, George Irving, Frank Longen, Al Piringer, Pat Jackson, K. Darwin Murrell, William Hollis. Guests at the meeting included James Vaughn.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Al Piringer. The minutes were approved as distributed.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - DR. JAMES VAUGHN

Dr. Vaughn presented the 1993 Symposium report including a 4 page program - Pest Management: Biologically Based Technologies. He passed out a draft program.

The registration fees to date:

\$250 - everything
300 - late
30 - one day
50 - student (no banquet or proceedings)
90 - spouse

The second announcement is due the 1st week in January. Manuscripts for the proceedings should be reviewed and camera ready by March meeting. Question by W. Hollis - Will pest resistance be covered? A discussion took place. Solicitation letter timing was discussed.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - DR. K. DARWIN MURRELL

- Budget and budget cuts discussed
- Selecting Directors of Arboretum and Human Nutrition
- FDA divided into two sections: Food section to stay as is and Veterinarian section to build new facilities at Beltsville on their own land adjacent to BARC land
- Ms. Caroline Moore selected to head Beltsville EEO office. More CO-OP and 1040 student employment will be encouraged at Beltsville.
- 13.5 million modernization budget available in FY 93

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of May 12, 1992: \$15,277.38

Income:

From Membership Renewals	\$365.00
From Outside Cont. (Honoraria & Royls. rec'd thru ARS emp.	804.63
Interest	<u>173.68</u>

Total Income	1,343.31
Total Available:	<u>\$16,620.69</u>

Expenses:

#139 ARS (Summer Intern)	\$2,000.00	
#140 C. Greenidge (Finney Rec.)	225.00	
#141 C. Greenidge (Finney Red.)	225.00	
#142 V. Bray (Reimb. Party Exp.)	65.98	
#143 Postmaster (Box Rent)	<u>49.00</u>	
Total Expenses:	\$2,564.98	<u>2,564.98</u>
Balance as of Sept. 8, 1992:		<u>\$14,055.71</u>

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

	#16-2034939	#16-7800701	
	<u>Non-int.Bear</u>	<u>Int.Bearing</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
Balances as of May 16, 1992:	\$2,997.86	\$26,587.00	\$29,584.86

Income:

From Reg. Fees	-	4,335.00	
From Interest	-	<u>253.38</u>	
Total Income:	-	4,588.38	<u>4,588.38</u>
Total Available	\$2,997.86	\$31,175.38	<u>\$34,173.24</u>

Expenses:

#291 D. Carol-Reim.Reg.Fee	200.00		
#292 J.Jenson-Travel&Subs.	169.95		
#110 Catng.- Chris & Tess		2,181.25	
#111 Am.Soc. for Photobio.		10,000.00	
#112 Hol. Inn-Bal. on Banq.		400.49	
#113 Nat'l Aquarium (Dep.)		900.00	
#114 The Grnd. Catr. (Dep.)		1,000.00	
#115 H.Stefan (Hon.&Trav.)XVII		618.00	
#116 P.Rao " " "		714.25	
#117 CompUSA (Printer)		644.00	
#118 Postmaster (Post.-Sol. Ltrs)		145.00	
#119 V.Hupfer (Reimb.-Foreign ")		<u>22.86</u>	
Total Expenses	<u>369.95</u>	<u>16,625.85</u>	<u>16,995.80</u>

Balance as of Sept. 8, 1992 \$2,627.91 \$14,549.53 \$17,177.44

Membership report 123 members (106 have renewed this year so far)

NEWSLETTER due in September to cover July and August.

GINGER MOVED to Room 128, Bldg. 001, BARC-W; telephone 504-6108; fax 504-6357.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

William A. Bailey
Virginia L. Hupfer

William A. Bailey, Vice President
Virginia L. Hupfer, Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING is Tuesday, October 13, 1992, 1:00 p.m., Room 238, Building 003.



FRIENDS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH-BELTSVILLE, Inc.

P.O. Box 1061

Beltsville, Maryland 20704-1061

The FAR-B Board of Directors met on October 13, 1992 in Room 238, Bldg. 003. Those in attendance were: William Bailey, Al Piringner, Frank Longen, John Moseman, Bill Hollis, Pat Jackson, Angus Hanson, George Irving, Don Bills, and Ginger Hupfer. Guests at the meeting included Barbara Leonhardt.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Al Piringner. The minutes were approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - AL PIRINGER

- OPEDA Past President, Earl Glover died. Dr. Irving gave a brief biographical sketch of him.
- World Food Prize - Dr. Bushland and Dr. Knipling will be honored for their research in controlling screwworms, tomorrow, October 14, 1992 in the auditorium in building 003. They received \$200,000 at a ceremony on October 12.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - BARBARA LEONHARDT

Dr. Leonhardt passed out first announcement flyers and said the program was entirely set for podium presentations. The second mailing should go out in early January. The flyer will include a tearout to list titles and authors of poster presentations. One day fee will be \$40. instead of \$30. The price has not been set for BARC employees as yet, until more information is available on the symposium finances; the committee is trying to keep BARC prices as low as possible, but want to include tour/banquet at the Baltimore Aquarium. Dr. Leonhardt announced that we had received a \$1,000 contribution. Frank Longen said it was from Valent USA Corp. Dr. Leonhardt said that those participants requiring subsidy would receive \$500, US and \$1,000, foreign. Dr. Leonhardt said we will have the Post Office Sub Station at the Symposium Monday and Tuesday. Dr. Bill Wergin will be the contact person for this. Beltsville retirees and other interested persons will be asked for an exhibit of stamps.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - DR. DON BILLS

- Director of the Arboretum has not yet been selected.
- A new Director has been selected for the Nutrition Center and should be on board around the first of the year.
- Dr. Bills with the help of Claudia Volz, will edit the new quarterly Newsletter, "Under the Clocktower". Another issue will be out the end of the year.
- The budget for fiscal year 1993 is not glowing. We expect to have 5% less purchasing power than we had last year because of inflation; also there was no pay cost increase, so we will have to absorb those costs.
- Dr. Vernon Pursel has been named the 1992 Distinguished Scientist of the Year. There will be an awards ceremony next

week downtown on the patio. The Beltsville Early Career Scientist is Mark Jenkins.

- Carolyn Moore is Beltsville's new EEO Manager. She has had 17 years of experience with the Department of Agriculture.
- Beltsville has accelerated the program for the Range 2 greenhouses. Will probably complete the first phase in 1993.
- We are going to build our first building in over 20 years. The Plant Science Building is expected to be ready to occupy in early fiscal year 94.
- October is National Disability Awareness month. There was a program this morning in the auditorium on the subject. There will be another program on disabilities on October 20.

Bill Hollis posed the question as to whether they were going ahead with an all encompassing survey of the facility. Dr. Bills said it should be finished within the year.

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of Sept. 8, 1992: \$14,055.71

Income:

From New Memberships:	\$30.00	
From Contributions*	225.00	
From Interest	38.15	
Total Income:	\$293.15	293.15
Total Available:		\$14,348.86

*Honorarium-Wm. Nickle

Expenses:

#144 VOID		
#145 Fund for Johns Hopkins Med.	50.00	
#146 Daniels Printing	178.00	
#147 A. Piringer (Reimb.)	20.00	
#148 Pricilla Steele (FONA Lunchn)	105.00	
Total Expenses:	\$353.00	353.00

Balance as of October 13, 1992: \$13,995.86

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

#16-2034939	#16-7800701	
<u>Non-int.Bear</u>	<u>Int.Bearing</u>	<u>Totals:</u>

Balances as of 10/8/92: \$2,627.91 \$14,549.53 \$17,177.44

Income:

Valent Corp.	-	1,000.00	
From Interest	-	39.52	
Total Income:	-	<u>1,039.52</u>	<u>1,039.52</u>
Total Available:	\$2,627.91	\$15,589.05	\$18,216.96
Expenses:	-	-	-
Balances as of 10/13/92:	<u>\$2,627.91</u>	<u>\$15,589.05</u>	<u>\$18,216.96</u>

The report was approved as read.

Frank had some further business concerning a proposal that has been made by Systematic Entomology Laboratory. They want to set up an account under FAR-B that would be for their own use. Frank informed Doug Miller it would have to be discussed and cleared with the board and Darwin Murrell. A lengthy discussion followed. Some suggestions made: Members of SEL should join FAR-B; might charge them a 5% administrative fee; might need an outside audit; perhaps they should get a lawyer and set up their own tax free fund; we might get some legal advice before we negotiate with them. How it stands: Frank will have Darwin Murrell get someone on Administrative Staff to go over Charter and Memo of Understanding and if they see no problem with it, proceed with setting up another account. We would advise the SEL that we're going to do this on an indefinite basis, but that they should look into the possibility of setting up their own organization.

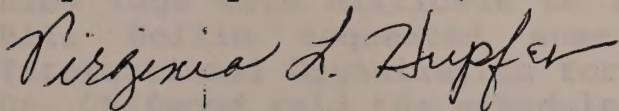
ROUND ROBIN

Dr. Irving told Dr. Piringer to express his regrets that he couldn't attend tomorrow's meeting.

Ginger Hupfer expressed her thanks for the floral arrangement the Board sent her. The Theatre room has been reserved for the 1993 annual meeting.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING IS TUESDAY, November 10, 1992,
1:00 p.m., Room 238, Building 003.



FRIENDS OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH-BELTSVILLE, Inc.

P.O. Box 1061

Beltsville, Maryland 20704-1061

The BAR-B Board of Directors met on November 10, 1992 in Room 238, Bldg. 003. Those in attendance were: William Bailey, Gordon Marten, Angus Hanson, Pat Jackson, Frank Longen, Al Piringer, George Irving, John Moseman, and William Hollis. Guests at the meeting included David J. Chitwood.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Al Piringer. The minutes were approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - AL PIRINGER

- On October 14, Al attended the luncheon in honor of Drs. Knipling and Bushland.
- On October 20 Al attended the luncheon sponsored by the Friends of the National Arboretum Advisory Committee.
- Dr. Piringer had copies of the Agricultural Library's Information Notes where reference was made to us as a sponsor to the art exhibit, "The Art of American Livestock Breeding".
- Steve Berberich is President of the Beltsville chapter of OPEDA.

SYMPOSIUM XVIII REPORT - DAVID CHITWOOD

The committee has been meeting approximately every two weeks and is on target with their schedule. The second announcement is almost ready for mailing late December or early January. Some titles have been modified and more detail is given. A separate mailing is going out to Beltsville employees in December. Due to budgetary uncertainties, the registration fees for Beltsville employees has not been established. Dr. Chitwood announced a total of \$4,000. contributed by various Companies as a result of our solicitation. The Committee will be soliciting posters from the general scientific community. These will be covered in the proceedings. Dr. Marten mentioned that due to observations from last year's Symposium, all invited speakers should be given abstracts of all the other speaker's presentations. He brought up that last year's name tags were difficult to read. Some suggestions were made. Bill Hollis requested some time for a speaker from the International Organization for Pest Resistance Management. Dr. Chitwood said the schedule was tight but he would bring it up at the next meeting. An alternative might be to have some information in the registration materials.

AREA OFFICE REPORT - DR. GORDON MARTEN

- The Beltsville area is experiencing a "flat" budget (which means we received the same amount of program funds in FY 93 that ARS received in FY 92), and we have to absorb pay increases. However, Beltsville did get \$13,500,000 extra for modernization.

- Modernization is proceeding very well. Resurfacing of Powder Mill Road is nearly completed. The cost was \$1.3 million funded in a special appropriation. The electrical distribution system on BARC-East, costing \$600,000, is nearly completed. Also, nearly completed is the renovation of Building 007. The delay was with the vents and hoods. Acoustical problems have been corrected. The new Conference Room added to Building 005 is a beautiful facility. The cost was \$340,000. The design of Building 001 renovation is completed. To rebuild will run close to \$10,000,000. Dr. Marten had received the 95% study for the Controlled Environment Facility. Dr. Marten felt strong about the need for a growth chambers Building. The cost of the study was \$30,000. Dr. Marten said they were anticipating the source of construction money will be the sale of land to the Metro and to the Court House. Projected total for construction is more than \$4,000,000. Range 2 Greenhouses - Beltsville now has all the money to finish the demolition and reconstruction of Range 2; a \$10,000,000 package. It's started already and scheduled for completion 18 months after they let the final contract. Planned for construction in fiscal 93 is the free stall Dairy Barn. It should be completed and ready for dedication about December 1993. The Wastewater Treatment Plant, costing \$4.6 million, is currently underway at BARC-East. Also for BARC-East is the designing of the water system upgrade. For BARC-West in fiscal 93 will be the construction of the \$10 million Plant Science Building. Since the modernization concept began in about 1986, we have already received \$38,000,000 of the proposed \$200,000,000.
- Due to a mandate, there was a study of the efficiency of various aspects of the research work done at Beltsville area. Beltsville proved to be a very efficient operation and we are getting appropriate recognition.
- We have openings for 4 new category 1 positions.
- On October 16, we successfully presented our fiscal year 93 annual resource management plan to Dr. Plowman. The week of October 19, ARS co-sponsored the 5th International Symposium on Biotechnology. It was Co-sponsored by Monsanto and the University of Maryland. On October 20, ARS had 14 members of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the National Arboretum tour Beltsville. FAR-B provided the lunch for which the Beltsville Area is grateful. On October 21, ARS had its Scientist of the Year Awards downtown. Congressman Steny Hoyer's Legislative Director, John Berry visited Dr. Murrell and Dr. Marten on October 23. On October 27, nine policy makers from DOW-ELANCO and two representatives of the CSRS Office of Agricultural Biotechnology visited ARS. Beltsville had presentations by several labs dealing with biocontrol. They approached us. Dr. Marten thanked FAR-B for supplying refreshments.
- Dr. Murrell announced the appointment of Dr. Joseph Spence as the Director of the Beltsville Human Nutrition Research

- Center, replacing Dr. Mertz who is retiring.
- Deputy Area Directors will now be referred to as Institute Directors , with the exception of FMOD.
 - Dr. Marten, responding as Area Ethics Advisor, advised us that development of a private fund to support research is legal, but if the Systematic Entomology Lab administered the fund, there is a potential for conflict of interest. However, if the SEL simply recommended how proceeds could be used in support of the Lab's research, there would be no problem. Dr. Marten recommended calling Shannon Sorzano, the Executive Director of the Friends of the National Arboretum, as they administer numerous funds. Discussion followed. Frank Longen suggested that he would get Chris Thompson and Doug Miller at the January FAR-B meeting.
 - There will be a Fall Fest at the National Visitors Center on Friday, November 13.

TREASURER'S REPORT - FRANK LONGEN

General Account:

Balance as of 10/13/92	\$13,995.86
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Income:

From New Memberships	20.00	
From Interest	<u>35.84</u>	
Total Income		55.84
Total Available:		<u>\$14,051.70</u>

Expenses:

None		-
Balance as of 11/10/92:		<u>\$14,051.70</u>

Conferences and Symposia Accounts:

	#16-2034939	#16-7800701	
	<u>Non-int.Bear</u>	<u>Int.Bearing</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Balances as of 10/13/92	\$2,627.91	\$15,589.05	\$18,216.96

Income:

From Contributions -			
Scotts Company		1,000.00	
Sandoz Agro		1,000.00	
CIBA-GEIGY		1,000.00	
From Interest		<u>38.17</u>	
Total Income	-	3,038.17	3,038.17
Total Available	2,627.91	18,627.22	21,255.13

Expenses:

Balances as of 11/10/92	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	\$2,627.91	\$18,627.22	\$21,255.13

The report was approved as read.

Allan Stoner advised Dr. Piringer that at Dr. Finney's party he and his wife were presented with a vacation trip to Williamsburg. Dr. Finney returned the gift and will donate the monies to FAR-B. A suggestion was made that we purchase a plaque.

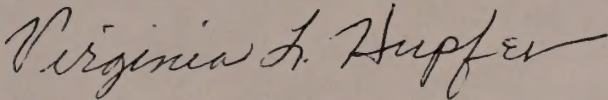
ROUND ROBIN

George Irving suggested that the connecting tunnels in the Controlled Environment Facility be continuously lighted. He also said he and his wife would be leaving for Florida December 6.

John Moseman inquired what the status of the FAR-B brochure is. Bill Hollis should get in touch with Steve Berberich.

There being no further business for the good of FAR-B, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Virginia L. Hupfer
Executive Secretary

* * * * * Next Meeting * * * * *

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING IS TUESDAY, January 12, 1993, 1:00 p.m., Room 238, Building 003.

